

CAL/EPA ENFORCEMENT TRAINING TEAM

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I. CAL/EPA ENFORCEMENT TRAINING TEAM

The establishment of an agency wide Enforcement Training Team consisting of one staff member from each Board and Department to administer a centralized Enforcement Training Program was formalized in Cal/EPA Policy Memorandum NF-07-08 issued November 1, 2007. Previous to that date, much of this work had been done on an informal basis under the leadership of the Office of the Secretary and the Air Resources Board. See annual reports on the implementation of Government Code §12812.2 at <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Enforcement/Publications/>.

The goal of the Enforcement Training Team is to provide training and outreach to field personnel of state and local regulatory agencies to ensure consistent, effective and coordinated enforcement as mandated in Government Code §12812.2. Although the directive indicated team members were to work on enforcement training full time, the amount of time spent on this assignment varies and in all cases is less than that, as this requirement was modified due to the impact of staff reductions, travel restrictions and furloughs. As of the end of May 2010, CalRecycle no longer participates on the team as that Department was transferred to the Natural Resources Agency.

Lisa Brown, Assistant General Counsel for Enforcement in the Office of the Secretary, continues to chair the Team and prepare this report.

Enforcement Training Team Members 2010:

Name	Agency	Title	Term
Lisa Brown	Office of the Secretary	Asst. Counsel for Enforcement	1/2008 -
Min Li	ARB	Air Pollution Specialist	1/10
Laura Niles	ARB	Air Pollution Specialist	2/10 – 9/10
James Cropper	ARB	Air Pollution Specialist	10/10-
Alan Ito	DTSC	Sr. Hazardous Substance Scientist	1/2008 -
Mostafa Chrichi	DPR	Environmental Scientist	7/09 -
Paulino Luna	CalRecycle	Senior Integrated Waste Management Specialist	6/1/09 – 5/30/10
Christine Klein/Rico	SWRCB	Environmental Scientist	6/15/09-

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II. ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

1) Cal/EPA Enforcement Symposium

This event was cancelled in 2009 and was not held in 2010. Cal/EPA has funds from a Supplemental Environmental Project (SEP) from an enforcement case that were directed by the court order in the case to provide scholarships to the Cal/EPA Enforcement Symposium. It was unknown at the time this report was prepared whether Symposium would be held again in 2011 or 2012 and if not held, what would become of these funds.

2) Cal/EPA Basic Inspector Academy (BIA)

The Cal/EPA Basic Inspector Academy teaches environmental regulatory inspectors core knowledge, skills, and cross-media awareness needed to conduct quality inspections, successfully interact with, and communicate the importance of regulatory compliance to, the regulated community. The information provided at BIA is designed to complement training in the students' own program area. The target audience is inspection staff who work in the Cal/EPA agency or its local partner agencies and have two years or less experience. The course materials in the course come from a variety of sources and are not intended to replace or override specific training attendees may receive from their agencies.

The training is designed for government inspectors but non-government staff and/or others are allowed to attend as space allows. The course is always given at government offices or other free locations. There is no charge for the course. BIA is staffed by the Cal/EPA Enforcement Training team supplemented by regulators, investigators and prosecutors in the area where the class is given who volunteer as instructors and facilitators.

Attendees must complete the 4 hour online Fundamental Inspector Course (FIC) training course prior to attending BIA to receive course certification. The FIC is also a standalone course that may be taken by anyone at anytime.

The classroom portion of BIA focuses on search and seizure issues, sampling awareness, interviewing, communication skills and report writing. Students work in groups; complete a mock inspection and write an inspection report based on the mock inspection and the principles learned during the week. Reports are analyzed by the entire class and by local prosecutors. The attorneys also conduct mock testimony with the students. Because of the interactive exercises, the class size is limited to 35-40 students.

BIA is certified for continuing education by the Department of Pesticide Regulation. Registered Environmental Health Specialist and California Water Environmental Association accreditations are pending.

BIA is certified for ½ unit of college credit and the Public Safety Training Consortium has proposed a contract that would provide approximately \$50 to Cal/EPA for each student who

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receives college credit. Approval of this contract is pending and if approved, the funds would be used to pay for equipment and material costs.

BIA details:

Date: January 11-14

Team instructors:

Other instructors:

Facilitators:

Location: Stockton (Agricultural Commissioner's Office)

Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi, Paulino Luna

Glenn Forman (DTSC), Keith Kihara (DTSC), Celeste Kaisch (San Joaquin Dep. DA), Heidi DAgostino (Yolo DA Investigator), Glen Forman (DTSC)

Paulino Luna, Alan Ito, Mostafa Chrichi, Laura Niles, Keith Kihara (DTSC), Glen Forman (DTSC)

Date: February 23-26

Team instructors:

Other instructors:

Facilitators:

Location: Long Beach (Port Police Office)

Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi, Paulino Luna

Glenn Forman (DTSC), Bill Fallon (Orange Dep. DA), Larry Morales (City of LA Public Works), Kelly Sakir (LA County Dep. DA), Patty Bilgin (LA Dep. City Attorney), James McConnell (Orange County DA Investigator)

Paulino Luna, Alan Ito, Keith Kihara (DTSC), Glen Forman (DTSC), Christine Klein

Date: March 15-18

Team instructors:

Other instructors:

Facilitators:

Location: Riverside (Regional Water Board Office)

Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi, Christine Klein, Laura Niles

Kelly Sedochenkoff (Riverside Dep. DA), Robert McKay (Riverside County DA Investigator), James McConnell (Orange County DA Investigator) Christie Bautista (DTSC), Steven Mayville (Santa Ana RWQCB)

Alan Ito, Glenn Forman (DTSC)

Date: April 27-30

Team instructors:

Other instructors:

Facilitators:

Location: Salinas (Ag. Commissioner's Office)

Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi, Laura Niles

Glenn Forman (DTSC), Laura Partch (Santa Cruz Dep. DA), Heather Hardee (Monterey DA Investigator), Anne Lopez (Monterey DA Investigator, James McConnell (Orange County DA Investigator)

Alan Ito, Mostafa Chrichi, Laura Niles, Keith Kihara (DTSC), Glen Forman (DTSC), Heather Hardee and Anne Lopez (Monterey County DA Investigators) Jim McConnell (Orange County DA Investigator).

Date: May 17-20

Event coordinator:

Team instructors:

Location: Los Angeles (LA City Public Works facility)

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Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi,

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Other instructors:	Glenn Forman (DTSC), Erica Martin, EPA, James McConnell (Orange County DA Investigator), Kelly Sakir (LA County DDA), Jim Walsh , (DPR), Keith Kihara (DTSC), Christie Bautista (DTSC)
Facilitators:	Alan Ito, Mostafa Chrichi, Christine Klein, Keith Kihara (DTSC), Glen Forman (DTSC), Christie Bautista (DTSC)
Date: June 22-25	Location: Dublin (Alameda County Ag. Dept. facility)
Team instructors:	Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi, Laura Niles
Other instructors:	James McConnell (Orange County DA Investigator), Ken Mifsud (Alameda County DDA), Hanson Pang (Alameda County DA Investigator)
Facilitators:	Keith Kihara (DTSC), Christie Bautista (DTSC) Alan Ito, Mostafa Chrichi, Christine Klein, Keith Kihara (DTSC), Glen Forman (DTSC)
Date: August 16-19	Location: Sacramento (DTSC Cal Center Office)
Team instructors:	Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi, Laura Niles, Christine Klein
Other instructors:	Glenn Forman (DTSC), Keith Kihara (DTSC), Jay Cross (DTSC/Circuit Prosecutor), Glen Forman (DTSC)
Facilitators:	Alan Ito, Mostafa Chrichi, Laura Niles, Keith Kihara (DTSC),
Date: September 23-26	Location: Vista (San Diego County)
Team instructors:	Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi,
Other instructors:	Glenn Forman (DTSC), Karen Doty (San Diego Dep. DA), James McConnell (Orange County DA Investigator)
Facilitators:	Alan Ito, Keith Kihara (DTSC), Glenn Forman (DTSC),
Date: November 2-4	Location: Chico
Team instructors:	Alan Ito, Lisa Brown, Mostafa Chrichi, Christine Klein,
Other instructors:	Hal Thomas (Butte County Dep. DA), James McConnell (Orange County DA Investigator), Heidi D'Agostino (Yolo County DA Investigator),
Facilitators:	Alan Ito, Glenn Forman (DTSC)

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BIA students conducting a mock inspection (left) and preparing inspection reports (right).

Quotes from student evaluations:

“Impressed with speakers and information presented”; “All speakers were well prepared”; “I will be using this information in the field”; “This will improve my inspections and reports.”

When asked what part of the training was the most valuable the most common response was the mock testimony and opportunity to interact with prosecutors.

For additional information on the course, see:

<http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Enforcement/Training/>

3) California Unified Program Annual (CUPA) Conference Burlingame-- February 1-4, Burlingame

This conference is sponsored by Cal/EPA, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the State Water Resources Control Board, the California Emergency Management Agency, and the State Fire Marshal and the CUPA Forum Board. 90 technical sessions in 8 concurrent tracks with approximately 1200 attendees were held during the four day conference. Attendees included representatives from local, state and federal agencies, regulated industries, environmental consultants and academia. Lisa Brown and Alan Ito developed and coordinated the enforcement track of classes that was composed of 24 hours of enforcement training.

The training team presented “Fundamental Inspector Online course” during which students were able to log onto the FIO course and establish an account; they were instructed step by step on how to complete the course. The team also presented a course on mock inspections based on the mock inspection done at the BIA. Lisa Brown taught a class on Access, Entry and Warrants. Paulino Luna and Mostafa Chrichi taught a class on Elements of a Violation and Report Writing. For more information on the conference, see: <http://www.calcupa.net/>.

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CUPA Forum Board SEP funds were used to record some of the classes offered including some of the enforcement track. The recorded enforcement classes are available for viewing on the CUPA Forum Board web site: www.calcupa.net/training/training_video_library.asp.

4) Annual EPA Region 9/Tribal Conference-- October 20 - 22, San Francisco

Lisa Brown presented a session on Recycling Fraud and other sham business operations at the conference.

5) California Hazardous Materials Investigators Association (CHMIA) Training Conference --April 14-17, San Luis Obispo

CHMIA is a nonprofit mutual benefit corporation established for the purposes of:

- 1) Encouraging the cooperation and coordination of environmental crime investigations conducted by enforcement and administrative agencies.
- 2) Facilitating and promoting educational programs in all aspects of environmental crime investigations

This POST certified conference had 165 attendees. Classes included the importance of working together in a task force setting, officer safety for unarmed public officers, testifying as an expert witness and several case studies discussing advanced sewer robotic sampling; the MV Cosco Busan oil spill in San Francisco Bay; underground tank enforcement; scrap metal recycler violations; haz mat problems at foreclosed properties; and the illegal sale of banned pesticides.

Alan Ito is a CHMIA Board member and worked on the conference. For more information, see <http://www.chmia.com/>

6) Conducting Effective Interviews --Cal/EPA and Western States Project, Modesto March 30, Woodland April 1, Santa Clara April 3

The Western States Project (WSP) is a nonprofit located in the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality, funded in part by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and its member states. The WSP provides environmental enforcement training to the western United States. For more info see <http://www.regionalassociations.org/>.

As part of California's membership, Cal/EPA receives 3 days of training each year. This year Cal/EPA requested three one-day courses on interviewing skills for regulators. Cal/EPA provided the logistical support and WSP paid for the professional trainer who conducted the training.

The course included information on effective communications, cultural consideration in communication, process of active listening, methods to manage anger, five phases of the interview, symbolic communication and techniques to elicit information from a reluctant person. Key points were further enhanced via several simulated interviews.

Quotes from student evaluations:

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“This class will assist with my job”, “Would like more training on this”, “Speaker is very knowledgeable and the materials were excellent”, “Tips on recognizing anger was helpful”, “Held my attention throughout the day”.

The course has alternated between southern and northern California; it was offered in northern California in 2009 and in southern California in 2010. This year the course was conducted on March 22 in San Diego, March 24 in Diamond Bar and March 26 in Los Angeles. 117 students attended the course in 2010, see attached table for attendee breakout information.

Alan Ito, Mostafa Chrichi, Marty Gunn (ARB), Christine Klein, Kelly Robertson (San Diego County CUPA) and Tony Giralamo (DA investigator) served as role players in San Diego; Alan Ito, Marty Gunn (ARB), Christine Klein, Glenn Forman (DTSC) and Mostafa Chrichi served as role players in Diamond Bar; Marty Gunn (ARB) Glenn Forman (DTSC) and Mostafa Chrichi in Los Angeles. Christine Klein was the registrar, coordinated role players and handled location logistics; Mostafa Chrichi was the lead for Los Angeles.

7) Introduction to Environmental Enforcement-- Western States Project April 19-20, Garden Grove

Cal/EPA worked with WSP to award 24 full and 7 registration only scholarships to California state and local environmental regulators, investigators and attorneys. Funds for the scholarships came from an enforcement case SEP. Lisa Brown taught at the class and Christine Klein attended the training. 77 people from 10 states and one Canadian province attended. 40 of the attendees were from California.

8) One Day Enforcement Training--Cal/EPA

This course given by the Cal/EPA Enforcement Training Team in conjunction with local investigators and prosecutors and is designed to help regulatory and enforcement personnel improve their skills in conducting effective and professional environmental inspections and investigations. The course also is an opportunity for state, federal and local regulators and investigators to meet with other professionals in their local area providing both horizontal (cross program) and vertical (regulator to prosecutor) networking. The course is free.

The course included the following subjects:

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| 1. Access, Entry and Warrants | 5. Report Writing |
| 2. Conducting Effective Interviews | 6. Environmental Crimes |
| 3. Elements of a Violation | 7. Enforcement Options |
| 4. Evidence to Prove a Violation | 8. Case Development and Referral |

Most of these subjects are from the Cal/EPA Basic Inspector Academy, although they are modified for the one day course.

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San Diego March 23

Sixty eight people attended this class primarily from the San Diego Department of Public Works, Storm Water program. San Diego County Deputy DA Karen Doty spoke on case development and referrals.

Solvang May 12

16 students from Santa Barbara County attended this course given in the city hall conference room in Solvang.

Dublin October 13

24 students from Alameda and Solano counties attended this class. Alameda County Deputy DA Ken Mifsud spoke on case development and referrals.

Modesto December 14

21 students from Stanislaus and Calaveras attended the class given at the training room at Stanislaus County Environmental Resources. Stanislaus County Deputy DA John Goulart spoke on case development and referrals.

Fresno December 15

46 students from Merced, Fresno, Kings and Tulare counties attended the class given at the City of Clovis Fire/PD Headquarters conference room. Fresno County Deputy DA Michael Brummel spoke on case development and referrals.

Bakersfield December 15

37 students from Kern, Tulare and Ventura counties attended this course. Kern Deputy DA Greg Pulskamp spoke on case development and referrals.

9) Advanced Environmental Crimes Training Program (AECTP): San Luis Obispo - May 17-28 and September 13-24 at the California Specialized Training Institute (a CalEMA facility) in San Luis Obispo.

The Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) serves as an interagency law enforcement training organization for more than 80 Federal agencies including the Environmental Protection Agency. FLETC is located in Georgia and provides training to federal, state, local, and international law enforcement agencies. One of the FLETC courses is a two week Advanced Environmental Crimes Training Program (AECTP). This course, developed in conjunction with EPA, is for peace officers, investigators, regulators and prosecutors who handle environmental investigations. Unfortunately because of budget cuts at EPA, the course is rarely given in Georgia. When given in Georgia, EPA pays for all student travel and per diem.

This course is also offered twice year in California through a partnership of prosecutors, the California Hazardous Materials Investigators Association and EPA at the California Specialized Training Institute (a CalEMA facility) in San Luis Obispo County. This is advanced training and it is preferred that regulators have attended at least one of the 3 following courses: Basic

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Hazardous Materials Investigations (at CSTI); Introduction to Criminal Environmental Investigations (Western States Project); and/or the Cal/EPA Basic Inspector Academy.

The AECTP course includes instruction on environmental crimes, preparation of search warrants and includes a mock inspection and execution of a search warrant and mock trial in which each attendee testifies. The class is limited to 35 students per session. Funding for the California course is provided by SEPs from recent multi county and statewide cases brought by the Attorney General and District Attorneys. The course is free with all travel costs and per diem paid for.



Photo: Class room instruction



Photo: mock testimony

10) Complex Case Development Course --Western States Project June 21-25 at the EPA/NETI West training facility in Lakewood, Colorado.

This 4 day course is an advanced course designed to allow teams of regulators, investigators and attorneys work as a task force through a practical exercise towards both a civil and criminal court proceeding. Scholarships from WSP were available and 3 CUPA staff received scholarships and attended the course. Deputy DA Jane Crue from Sacramento County taught at the course.

Unfortunately because of budget cuts in the EPA enforcement training budget, EPA announced that they are closing this facility. It is unknown if WSP will be able to conduct this course in another location as the class requires an industrial mock up for the practical exercises.

11) Environmental Enforcement Field Sampling Course

The Environmental Enforcement Field Sampling course was design to provide Inspectors in environmental enforcement evidence collection. The course was developed to provide inspector the proper methods of collection Environmental Field Sampling for Enforcement purposes.

Training was conducted in six locations (number of attendees is in parentheses):

January 27 - Berkeley (15)

March 10 - Yolo/Solano Counties (25)

April 20 - Imperial County (10)

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July 15 - Contra Costa/Napa/Sonoma Counties (30)
December 8 -Humboldt/Del Norte Counties (15)
San Luis Obispo/Santa Barbara/Monterey counties (15)

12) Communication Skills for Regulatory Inspectors --Western States Project May 24-27 in Phoenix, Arizona.

California had 4 fully paid scholarships from the EPA grants to the Western States Project. However, only have 3 people received approval to attend ((Alan Ito (DTSC), Lisa Brown (Cal/EPA) and Bhupinder Dhillon (DPR). Because of restrictions on travel, no other applicants could be found for the scholarships. The training team is reviewing this class to see what portions might be incorporated into our training.

13) Advanced Topics in Environmental Enforcement --California District Attorneys Association June 7-9: in Pacific Grove (Asilomar State Park). Scholarships for prosecutors were available from CDAA. Lisa Brown attended and gave an update on Cal/EPA.

14) Hazardous Materials Investigations -- June 21-25at CSTI in San Luis Obispo. Twenty-four scholarships were given. This 5 day course is designed for those charged with the responsibility to investigate hazardous materials incidents, document their findings, and follow through on the results of these investigations. Eligible participants include Peace Officers, Public Health Officers, Environmental Health Officers/Specialists, Hazardous Materials Specialists of a Public Health or Environmental Health Agency or Fire Department, and employees of a water or air pollution control agency whose duties are related to enforcement of environmental laws. Participants learn techniques involved in thoroughly investigating hazardous materials incidents:

- Identifying, Gathering and Evaluating Associated Evidence
- Documenting the Investigative Progress
- Determining if Criminal and/or Civil Violations Have Occurred.

This basic investigations course meets the prerequisite requirement for the Hazardous Material Advanced Investigations Course.

15) The Continuing Challenge-- September in Sacramento
The annual Continuing Challenge Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Workshop provides training, networking and hands-on learning opportunities to hazardous materials emergency response related fields of employment. Each year in the first week of September in Sacramento, classroom sessions and hands-on workshops are presented. For more information see: <http://www.hazmat.org>. Alan Ito developed and delivered enforcement training at the Continuing Challenge in September.

16) “Introduction to Environmental Criminal Investigation” – Western States Project October 19-21in Reno, Nevada.
Lisa Brown is a California representative to the Project and serves on the Project’s training committee. This course is offered once a year by the Western States Project. Cal/EPA worked with WSP to award 26 scholarships to California state and local environmental regulators,

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investigators and attorneys. Funds for the scholarships came from an enforcement case SEP. Lisa Brown taught at the class. Attendees were from 8 states, one Canadian Province and one American Territory. 35 of the 59 students were from California.

Subjects taught included:

Environmental Crimes	Evaluating a Crime Scene
Introduction to the Criminal Justice System	Industry Examples and Illegal Activity
Coordinating the Investigation	Search Warrant Preparation and Execution
Case Development & Management	Trial Preparation
Sampling, Personal Protection, High-tech Evidence	

Fifty five students from 9 states, one territory and one Canadian province attended the class.

17) POST Environmental Crimes Investigations Overview

Alan Ito worked with POST on developing a new "One Day" class for law enforcement. POST used some of their funds from the Penal Code Section 14300 account to pay for development and delivery costs.

A group of Subject Matter Experts developed a six hours POST Certified training course on Environmental Enforcement for Peace Officers and Investigators. The course topics are:

1. Environmental Enforcement Information Systems
2. Environmental Enforcement Surveillance techniques
3. Environmental Statutes and Regulations (charging codes)
4. What other environmental support agencies "who's out there to help and support"

This new class will be piloted February 23, 2011 in Long Beach.

III. Expansion of on line training, webinars and webcasts

1) EPA

Lisa Brown is a member of the EPA Senior Enforcement and Compliance Training Council. This group has worked to get more of EPA's enforcement training on the web and accessible to state and local government. The following web conferences (also known as webinars) were conducted by EPA's National Enforcement Training Institute unless otherwise noted:

April 8: "Communicating Enforcement Stories - Press Training for Lawyers"

Oct. 1: Suspension and Debarment - What is It?

Oct. 8: The Clean Air Act: It's Not Necessarily Gone with the Wind

Oct. 15: License to Kill - Pesticide Registration and Enforcement

Oct. 19: NetDMR Permittee and Data Provider

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Oct. 20: "Gaining Access," provided by the EPA Legal Training Network
Oct. 21: NetDMR Permittee and Data Provider
Oct. 22: Water— Current Developments and Challenges
Oct. 29: Hazardous Waste Management – An Overview of CERCLA

Events in EPA's Legal Intern/Law Clerk Series:

Nov.5: EPCRA – America's Largest Neighborhood Watch Program
Nov.12: The Toxic Substances Control Act
Dec. 3: The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA): Cradle to Grave

Other EPA web training included:

An Overview of OTIS and data sources for Inspectors, Federal, State or Local Government Personnel held November 10.

EPA's Environmental Statutes Review Course is now available directly on NETI Online. This new format replaces the CD-ROM version which covers the basic provisions and enforcement authorities of seven environmental statutes (RCRA, CERCLA, CAA, CWA, EPCRA, TSCA, FIFRA). You can find this product at www.netionline.com, click on Schedule—Calendar, then look under Web-Based Courses.

In November, EPA placed recorded half day webinars of Basic INDIPAY and Basic ABEL on line at www.netionline.com. Click on "Schedule Calendar" and scroll down to Web-Based Courses.

Basic ABEL – ABEL is a user-friendly computer model that evaluates a corporation's or partnership's claim that it cannot afford to pay compliance costs, a civil penalty, or a Superfund cleanup. This course is designed to provide practical guidance on how to operate the models and will also allow participants hands-on experience. ABEL is keyed to corporate income and partnership tax returns and can also be used to evaluate nonenvironmental cases. This course will introduce participants to the model; introduce participants to the theory underlying the model; show participants how to characterize data input correctly; discuss effectiveness of the model in negotiation, and assure that participants understand the model's outputs.

INDIPAY – INDIPAY evaluates claims of inability to pay from individual taxpayers. These individuals may operate businesses as sole proprietorships or partnerships. This model will be particularly helpful in the following programs: Safe Drinking Water Act PWS, Superfund, RCRA, and UST. INDIPAY provides a consistent and theoretically sound framework for evaluating affordability cases involving the above types of defendants. INDIPAY performs two separate sets of analyses. The Phase 1 analysis is a preliminary assessment based upon the individual's income. The Phase 2 analysis is a comprehensive analysis of the individual's annual cash flow, living expenses, debt obligations, assets and liabilities. The Phase 2 analysis evaluates a defendant's ability to afford civil penalties, Superfund clean-ups and compliance costs.

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2) POST Environmental Crimes Investigations Overview online training

This web-based course was developed in 2008 using funds from the Penal Code 14300 account (for more information on this account, see <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Enforcement/Grants/14300.htm>). During the year 2010, 1,199 law enforcement officers in California completed the course.

3) Western States Project online training

In September, the Western States Project posted “Environmental Crimes Investigation Overview” (described above) on its RAIN website. To access the course, you must be a registered RAIN user which is restricted to government inspection and enforcement related personnel only.

To see the course, go to the Regional Associations Information Network (RAIN) website at <http://www.regionalassociations.org/> and log on as a user, click on [R@IN User Resources](#) then click on multimedia resources, and then click on [CA POST - Environmental Crimes Investigations Overview](#). To get access to RAIN, email rainwebby@regionalassociations.org.

4) Cal/EPA Fundamental Online Course

This 6 hour online course contains an overview of Cal/EPA Boards, Departments and local agencies, environmental law, environmental science, the role of the environmental inspector and basic field health and safety. This class is a prerequisite for attending the Basic Inspector Academy. Although the course was designed for new environmental inspectors, any new government or regulated facility employee, or member of the public may find also this training helpful. The link to the course is at: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/Enforcement/Training>.

IV. PROGRAM SPECIFIC ENFORCEMENT TRAINING

1) January 27 – Alan Ito conducted training for the Bay area CUPA on “Environmental Enforcement Field Sampling”.

January 28 – 29 – Alan Ito conducted sampling demonstration and DTSC’s Lab tour for the CDAA Science for Prosecutors- Berkeley, CA

2) Investigation Procedures

DPR conducted advanced Investigative training designed to build on the Investigative Procedures training DPR conducted in the past. Participants should have performed or been involved in an investigation and have a basic understanding of the procedures involved in conducting investigations, from formulating an investigative plan to finalizing the investigation.

Topics included:

The Investigator Mindset, Evidence, Sampling Issues, Confidentiality Issues, and Case File Development.

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The training was held:
 October 26 in Stockton
 November 9 in Fairfield
 November, 16, in Colusa

V. OTHER TRAINING ACTIVITIES

1) Environmental Enforcement Training Coordination Forum -

The Forum members consist of: the CUPA Forum Board, California Hazardous Materials Investigators Association, Cal/EPA, the Western States Project, US EPA, the California District Attorney Association, Department of Parks and Recreation, POST, and CSTI and is chaired by Alan Ito. The mission of this Forum is to coordinate, consolidate, and make consistent environmental enforcement training. The Forum meets quarterly. Alan Ito chairs the meetings.

VI. EVENTS / ATTENDEES

Basic Inspector Academy

Location	# Student	Air	Water	Pesticides	Solid Waste	Haz.Waste/ UST/CUPA	Other/ unk
Stockton	24	0	1	5	6	3	9
Long Beach	20	0	2	0	4	1	13
Riverside	24	0	5	2	0	3	15
Salinas	29	2	2	15	1	7	2
Los Angeles	60	4	51	0	0	2	3
Dublin	32	2	2	14	6	6	2
Sacramento	40	12	1	11	3	6	7
Vista	37	3	13	3	0	3	14
Chico	14	3	0	4	0	6	1
totals	280	26	77	54	20	37	66

Vista other: 1 NGO, 4 consultants (who contract to do storm water work for cities), 7 military (Coast Guard and Marines), 1 Ag. Department Weights & Measures

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One Day Interview Class

Location	# Student	Air	Water	Pesticides	Solid Waste	Haz.Waste/ UST/CUPA	Other/ unk
San Diego	38	14	4	0	2	7	11
Diamond Bar	46	43	1	0	0	1	1
LA	31	16	9	3	0	2	1
totals	115	73	14	3	2	10	13

One Day Enforcement Class

Location	# Students	Air	Water	Pesticide	LEA/ Solid Waste	Haz.Waste/ UST/CUPA	Other
San Diego	41	0	38	0	0	0	3
Solvang	16	0	0	0	0	15	1
Dublin	24	1	5	4	0	12	2
Modesto	21	0	1	3	0	11	6
Fresno	46	0	2	13	0	24	7
Bakersfield	37	4	1	3	5	21	3
totals	185	5	47	23	5	83	22

Modesto other: 4 EPA, 1 peace officer, 1 DFG.

Fresno other: 1 planning, 3 peace officers, 3 DFG

Introduction to Criminal Environmental Investigations

Location	# CA Students	Air	Water	Ag/ Pesticide	LEA/ Solid Waste	Haz.Waste/ UST/CUPA	Other
Reno NV	33	11	2	8	0	9	3

In this training, most of the CUPA staff also performed tasks in other programs including water.

2 of the pesticides program staff also worked in the air program.

The 3 “others” were 2 Dep. DAs and one DA investigator.

Explanation of terms used above:

“Air” includes ARB and local air district staff.

“Water” includes SWRCB, Regional Water Board and local water staff (including POTW, Sanitation district, storm water etc but not UST).

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“Pesticides” includes DPR and local Agricultural Commissioner staff who work in the pesticide program.

“LEA solid waste” includes IWMB and local solid waste staff including those in LEA and tire programs.

“Haz. Waste/UST/CUPA” includes DTSC and local staff who work in the CUPA programs including the UST program.

Difficulties in tracking these numbers include local staff who work in more than one program area, staff who are not currently working in a program we track but are taking the class in anticipation of new work assignment such as a county environmental health specialist who is not working in a CUPA program but needs this training in order to rotate into a CUPA program assignment.